

Touristen mit deutschem Führerschein: Fahren ohne Führerschein?

Die USA haben ein Übereinkommen mit den meisten Ländern, dass das Mieten eines Autos für die Dauer von bis zu einem Jahr mit ausländischem Führerschein ermöglicht. Ein internationaler Führerschein wird -in Verbindung mit dem unbedingt erforderlichen nationalen Führerschein- grundsätzlich empfohlen, in einigen US-Bundesstaaten ist er sogar Pflicht.

Die USA und Deutschland gehören jedoch unterschiedlichen Abkommen über Kraftfahrzeug- und Straßenverkehr an. Deutsche Führerscheine werden daher in den USA in rechtlicher Hinsicht nur geduldet. Deutschland gehört dem „Wiener Übereinkommen über den Straßenverkehr“ an, parallel dazu existiert das „Genfer Abkommen über den Kraftfahrzeugverkehr“, und die „Convention on the Regulation of Inter-American Automotive Traffic (Washington, 1943)“ denen die USA angehört. Beide Abkommen regeln die Ausstellung internationaler Führerscheine. Die internationalen Führerscheine der jeweils anderen Gruppe werden jedoch nicht akzeptiert. Der Internationale Führerschein nach dem „Wiener Übereinkommen“ wird in Verbindung mit einem gültigen EU-Führerschein von örtlichen US-Behörden jedoch im Allgemeinen kulanztweise akzeptiert.

Nähere Informationen zum internationalen Führerschein erhalten Sie bei führenden Automobilclubs oder Ihrem örtlichen Straßenverkehrsamt.

Informationen über die Führerscheinregelungen der einzelnen US-Bundesstaaten sind über Link <http://www.statelocalgov.net/50states-public-works.cfm> auf den Webseiten des jeweiligen Departments of Transportation verfügbar. Als – rechtlich unverbindlichen ! – Service haben wir für Sie folgende Übersicht erstellt:

Führerscheinerfordernisse in den US-Bundesstaaten:

Alabama: Nationaler Führerschein

Code of Alabama

Section 32-6-2

Persons exempt from securing license.

The following persons when driving a motor vehicle under the following conditions are exempt from a license hereunder:

...

(3) A nonresident who is at least 16 years of age and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid driver's license issued in his or her home state or country;

Alaska: Nationaler Führerschein, allerdings nur bis zu 90 Tage nach Einreise.

28th Legislature(2013-2014)

Alaska Statutes 2012

Sec. 28.15.021. Persons exempt from driver licensing.

The following persons are exempt from driver licensing under this chapter:

...

(2) a nonresident who is at least 16 years of age and who has a valid driver's license issued by another jurisdiction; however, an Alaska driver's license must be obtained by the end of a 90-day period after entry into the state;
Alaska akzeptiert eine gültige Fahrerlaubnis aus jedem Staat oder Land bis zu 90 Tage nach Einreise.

Arizona: Nationaler Führerschein

Arizona Revised Statutes, Title 28 Chapter 8, Article 1

§ 28-3151. Driver license requirement

A. Unless exempt pursuant to this chapter, a person shall not drive a motor vehicle or vehicle combination on a highway without a valid driver license and proper endorsement as prescribed by this chapter.

§ 28-3152. Driver license; exemptions; limitation

A. Except as provided in subsection B, the following persons are exempt from licensing under this chapter:

...

3. A person who is a nonresident, who is at least sixteen years of age and who has in the person's immediate possession a valid driver license issued to the person in the person's home state or country while the person is operating a motor vehicle requiring a class D license.

Article 3

§ 28-3101. Driver license classes

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4. Class D. A class D license is valid for operating any of the following:

(a) A single motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of twenty-six thousand pounds or less.

(b) A motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of twenty-six thousand pounds or less that tows a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of ten thousand pounds or less.

(c) A motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of twenty-six thousand pounds or less that tows a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than ten thousand pounds if the combined gross vehicle weight rating is less than twenty-six thousand one pounds.

Arkansas: Nationaler Führerschein

Arkansas Code, Title 27, Subtitle 2, Chapter 16, Subchapter 6

27-16-603. Persons exempted from licensing.

The following persons are exempt from licensing under this act:

...

(3) A nonresident who is at least sixteen (16) years of age and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid noncommercial driver's license issued to him or her in his or her home state or country may operate a motor vehicle in this state only as a noncommercial driver;

California: Nationaler Führerschein

California Vehicle Code, General Provisions, Division 6, Charter 1, Article 1

Section 12502

(a) The following persons may operate a motor vehicle in this state without obtaining a driver's license under this code:

(1) A nonresident over the age of 18 years having in his or her immediate possession a valid driver's license issued by a foreign jurisdiction of which he or she is a resident, except as provided in Section 12505.

Ausnahmen in Section 12505 sind nicht relevant.

Connecticut: *Nationaler Führerschein, es sei denn Fahrzeug ist in Deutschland registriert, dann internationaler Führerschein.*

2011 Connecticut Code, Title 14, Chapter 246

Sec. 14-39. Nonresident operators. Reciprocity concerning equipment, marking and inspection of vehicles.

(a) Any nonresident sixteen years of age or older who is licensed to operate a motor vehicle in the state or country of which he is a resident may, subject to the provisions of section 14-216, operate any registered motor vehicle on the highways of this state for the same period allowed by the state or country of his residence to residents of this state without complying with the provisions of this chapter requiring the licensing of operators; provided (1) no nonresident shall operate a commercial motor vehicle without a commercial driver's license or a motor vehicle belonging to a class other than that for which his license or commercial driver's license was issued in the other state or country, and (2) no person, including a nonresident, shall operate a motor vehicle with a load greater than the capacity designated in section 14-267a.

Sec. 14-40. Operation of motor vehicle owned by resident of foreign country. Any motor vehicle or trailer owned or operated by a resident of a foreign country, which country adheres to the articles of the "International Convention" held in Paris, April 24, 1926, or amendments thereto, relative to the operation of motor vehicles, may be operated on the highways of this state without registration, provided such nonresident operator is the holder of an international operator's license and provided such motor vehicle is legally registered in the country of his residence and also bears an international registration.

Delaware: Nationaler Führerschein

Code of Delaware

§ 2706. Nonresident operators.

(a) A nonresident over the age of 16 years who has been duly licensed under a law requiring the licensing of operators in the nonresident's home state or country and who has in the nonresident's immediate possession a valid operator's license issued to the nonresident in the nonresident's home state or

country shall be permitted without examination or license under this chapter to drive a motor vehicle upon the highways of this State.

D.C.: Nationaler Führerschein, allerdings nur für 30 Tage.

Code of District of Columbia

§ 50-1401.02. Exemptions.

(a) The owner or operator of any motor vehicle who is not a legal resident of the District of Columbia, and who has complied with the laws of any state, territory, or possession of the United States, or of a foreign country or political subdivision thereof, shall, subject to the provisions of this section, be exempt for a continuous 30 day period immediately following the entrance of such owner or operator into the District of Columbia from compliance with § 50-1401.01 and § 50-1501.02. The 30-day exemption period shall not apply to commercial motor vehicles required to obtain a permit, as provided by § 50-1507.03 or charter busses identified in § 50-1501.02(j).

Florida: Nationaler Führerschein grundsätzlich ausreichend, aber Internationaler Führerschein ratsam.

Ein neues Gesetz, welches am 1. Januar 2013 in Kraft getreten ist und von ausländischen Besuchern verlangt, einen internationalen Führerschein bei sich zu führen, wird nicht durchgesetzt.

Am 14.02.2013 hat das Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles bekannt gegeben, dass diese Anforderung die Genfer Konvention über den Straßenverkehr von 1949 verletzen würde. Internationale Verträge, welche von der USA eingegangen worden sind, hätten Vorrang vor dem Recht der Bundesstaaten. Daher sollte die Florida Highway Patrol das Gesetz nicht anwenden, bis es geändert ist:

<http://www.flhsmv.gov/IDP.htm>

Da Deutschland nicht Mitglied der Genfer Konvention ist, wäre es eine denkbare Möglichkeit, das Gesetz so zu ändern, dass nur noch für Bürger von Staaten, die nicht Mitglied dieser Konvention sind, der internationale Führerschein verlangt wird. Es sollte daher weiterhin der Internationale Führerschein empfohlen werden und muss weiterhin beobachtet werden.

2012 Florida Statutes, Title XXIII, Chapter 322

322.04 Persons exempt from obtaining driver license.—

(1) The following persons are exempt from obtaining a driver license:

...

(c) A nonresident who is at least 16 years of age operating a motor vehicle of the type for which a Class E driver license is required in this state if the nonresident has in his or her immediate possession:

1. A valid noncommercial driver license issued in his or her name from another state or territory of the United States; or
2. An International Driving Permit issued in his or her name in his or her country of residence and a valid license issued in that country.

Georgia: Internationaler Führerschein.

2010 Georgia Code, Title 40, Chapter 5

§ 40-5-21 - Exemptions generally

(a) Except as provided in Article 7 of this chapter, the "Uniform Commercial Driver's License Act," the following persons are exempt from licenses under this chapter:

...

(2) A nonresident who has in his or her immediate possession a valid driver's license issued to him or her in his or her home state or country; provided, however, that such person would otherwise satisfy all requirements to receive a Georgia driver's license and, if such nonresident driver's license is in a language other than English, the nonresident also has in his or her immediate possession a valid international driving permit which conforms to and has been issued in accordance with the provisions of the Convention on Road Traffic, 3 U.S.T. 3008, TIAS 2487, or any similar such treaty, international agreement, or reciprocal agreement between the United States and a foreign nation concerning driving privileges of nonresidents;

Idaho: Nationaler Führerschein

Idaho Statutes, Title 49, Chapter 3

49-302. What persons are exempt from license.

The following persons are exempt from licensing if driving privileges are not suspended, canceled, revoked, disqualified, denied or refused:

...

(7) A nonresident who has in his immediate possession a valid commercial driver's license issued to him in his home state or country may operate a motor vehicle in Idaho.

Illinois: Nationaler Führerschein

Illinois Vehicle Code

Sec. 6-102. What persons are exempt. The following persons are exempt from the requirements of Section 6-101 and are not required to have an Illinois drivers license or permit if one or more of the following qualifying exemptions are met and apply:

...

2. A nonresident who has in his immediate possession a valid license issued to him in his home state or country may operate a motor vehicle for which he is licensed for the period during which he is in this State;

Indiana: Nationaler Führerschein, aber was genau meint lawfully admitted (gesetzlich anerkannt?)

Indiana Code, Title 9, Article 24, Chapter 1

IC 9-24-1-7

Exempt operators

Sec. 7. (a) Sections 1 through 5 of this chapter do not apply to the following individuals:

...

(3) A nonresident who:
(A) is at least sixteen (16) years and one (1) month of age;
(B) has in the nonresident's immediate possession a valid driver's license that was issued to the nonresident in the nonresident's home state or country; and
(C) is lawfully admitted into the United States;
while operating a motor vehicle upon a public highway only as an operator.

(4) A nonresident who:
(A) is at least eighteen (18) years of age;
(B) has in the nonresident's immediate possession a valid chauffeur's license that was issued to the nonresident in the nonresident's home state or country; and
(C) is lawfully admitted into the United States;
while operating a motor vehicle upon a public highway, either as an operator or a chauffeur.

Iowa: Nationaler Führerschein

2013 Iowa Code, Title VIII, Subtitle 2

321.176 Persons exempt from driver's licensing requirements.

The following persons are exempt from driver's licensing requirements:

...

3. A nonresident operating a motor vehicle within the legal scope of the nonresident's home state or country license except a nonresident may operate a commercial motor vehicle only in compliance with section 321.174.

Kansas: Nationaler Führerschein

Kansas Statutes, Chapter 8, Article 2

8-236: Persons exempt from license.

(a) The following persons are exempt from the license requirements of the motor vehicle drivers' license act:

...

(2) a nonresident who is at least 18 years of age and who has in such person's immediate possession a valid license issued to such nonresident in such person's home state or country which authorizes such person to operate any motor vehicle in class A or class B, as designated in K.S.A. 8-234b, and amendments thereto, may operate any such motor vehicle in this state, subject to the age limits applicable in this state to the operation of any type or class of vehicle operated by such person;

Kentucky: Nationaler Führerschein, wenn Besuch des Staates für weniger als 1 Jahr.

Kentucky Revised Statutes, Title XVI, Chapter 186

186.430 Exemption of nonresidents.

(3) A person over the age of sixteen (16) who is not a United States citizen and who is legally visiting this country for less than one (1) year may drive in Kentucky on a valid domestic license issued by the person's country of domicile and shall not be required to obtain a Kentucky driver's license.

Louisiana: Nationaler Führerschein für einen Zeitraum von 90 Tagen.

Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 32

§404. Operation of motor vehicles by nonresidents, students, and military personnel and dependents; reciprocity agreements with foreign countries

A. A nonresident or a nonresident minor, who has been licensed to drive or operate a motor vehicle under the laws of his home state and who has in his immediate possession a valid license issued to him by his home state, shall be permitted to drive a motor vehicle in this state without examination or license for a period not to exceed ninety days. The department is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations covering the case of any person whose home state does not require a license, and they shall have the full force and effect of law.

Maine: Nationaler Führerschein

Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29, Chapter 11, Subchapter 1

§1251. License required

6. Exemptions. The following people are exempt from the license requirements of this chapter:

A. A nonresident who is 16 years of age or older and who has in that person's possession a valid license or instruction permit issued by that person's state or province. A nonresident operator shall adhere to all restrictions applied to the license or instruction permit issued by that person's state or province. A nonresident who is not yet 16 years of age may not operate a motor vehicle.

Maryland: Nationaler Führerschein

Relevante §§ aus dem Code of Maryland siehe unten.

Es findet sich auch eine ähnliche 60 Tage-Regelung für „new-residents“ wie in Virginia in § 16-102 (6)

§ 16-101. Drivers must be licensed

(a) In general. -- An individual may not drive or attempt to drive a motor vehicle on any highway in this State unless:

- (1) The individual holds a driver's license issued under this title;
- (2) The individual is expressly exempt from the licensing requirements of this title; or
- (3) The individual otherwise is specifically authorized by this title to drive vehicles of the class that the individual is driving or attempting to drive.

§ 16-102. Persons exempt from licensing requirements; penalty for violation

(a) In general. -- The licensing requirements of this title do not apply to:

...

(10) A nonresident of the United States if:

- (i) The individual has a valid license to drive issued to the individual by the country of residence;

- (ii) The individual's license authorizes him to drive in that country vehicles of the class he is driving in this State;
- (iii) The individual is at least the same age as that required of a resident for the vehicle he is driving in this State; and
- (iv) Except as provided for in Subtitle 8 of this title, the vehicle is not a commercial motor vehicle;

Massachusetts: Nationaler Führerschein

Auf der offiziellen Website der Massachusetts Registry of motor vehicles wurde die Frage, ob ein ausländischer Autofahrer einen internationalen Führerschein bei sich führen muss, ausdrücklich mit nein beantwortet. Es wird jedoch empfohlen einen internationalen Führerschein bei sich zu führen, wenn der nationale Führerschein nicht in englischer Sprache ist. Führerscheine aus Deutschland werden aufgrund gegenseitiger Vereinbarungen anerkannt.

(<http://www.massrmv.com/rmv/license/international.htm>)

Massachusetts General Laws, Part I, Title XIV, Chapter 90Section 10. No person under sixteen years of age shall operate a motor vehicle upon any way. No other person shall so operate unless licensed by the registrar unless he possesses a receipt issued under section eight for persons licensed in another state or country or unless he possesses a valid learner's permit issued under section eight B...

The motor vehicle of a nonresident may be operated on the ways of the commonwealth in accordance with section three by its owner or by any nonresident operator without a license from the registrar if the nonresident operator is duly licensed under the laws of the state or country where such vehicle is registered and has such license on his person or in the vehicle in some easily accessible place. Subject to the provisions of section three, a nonresident who holds a license under the laws of the state or country in which he resides may operate any motor vehicle of a type which he is licensed to operate under said license, duly registered in this commonwealth or in any state or country; provided, that he has the license on his person or in the vehicle in some easily accessible place, and that, as finally determined by the registrar, his state or country grants substantially similar privileges to residents of this commonwealth and prescribes and enforces standards of fitness for operations of motor vehicles substantially as high as those prescribed and enforced by this commonwealth.

Michigan: Nationaler Führerschein

Michigan Code, Chapter 257, Act 300 of 1949 – Michigan Vehicle Code

257.302 Operators' and chauffeurs' licenses; persons exempt.

The following persons are exempt from obtaining a license under this chapter:

- c) A nonresident who is not less than 16 years of age and who has been licensed either as an operator or a chauffeur under a law requiring the

licensing of operators or chauffeurs in his or her home state and who has in his or her immediate possession either a valid operator's or a valid chauffeur's license issued to him or her in his or her home state.

Minnesota: Nationaler Führerschein

**2012 Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 171, Section 03
171.03 PERSONS EXEMPT.**

The following persons are exempt from license hereunder:

(d) A nonresident who is at least 15 years of age and who has in immediate possession a valid driver's license issued to the nonresident in the home state or country may operate a motor vehicle in this state only as a driver.

Mississippi: Nationaler Führerschein für einen Zeitraum von 60 Tagen.

**Mississippi Code, Title 63, Chapter 1
SEC. 63-1-7. Exemption from license requirement.**

No license issued pursuant to this article shall be required of:

...

(b) Any nonresident person who has in his immediate possession a valid license to drive a motor vehicle on the highways of his home state or country, issued to him by the proper authorities of his home state or country, or of any nonresident person whose home state or country does not require the licensing of a person to operate a motor vehicle on the highways but does require him to be duly registered. Such person being eighteen (18) years of age or older may operate a motor vehicle in the state for a period of sixty (60) days without securing a license. However, any nonresident person operating a motor vehicle in this state shall be subject to all the provisions of this article, except as specified above.

Missouri: Nationaler Führerschein

**Missouri Revised Statutes, Chapter 302,
302.080. The following persons are exempt from license hereunder:**

...

(2) A nonresident who is at least sixteen years of age and who has in his immediate possession a valid license issued to him in his home state or country;

Montana: Nationaler Führerschein

**Montana Code, Title 61, Chapter 5
Section 61-5-104: EXEMPTIONS**

...

(2) A nonresident who is at least 15 years of age and who is in immediate possession of a valid operator's license issued to the nonresident by the

nonresident's home state or country may operate a motor vehicle, except a commercial motor vehicle, in this state.

Nebraska: Nationaler Führerschein

Nebraska Revised Statutes, Chapter 60

60-488. Nonresidents; license requirements; immunity.

(1) A nonresident shall not be prevented from operating a motor vehicle upon the highways of this state during the period within which he or she may lawfully operate such motor vehicle in the state under the general motor vehicle laws of this state, but in no event shall such immunity extend beyond a period of thirty days continuous residence in the State of Nebraska.

(2) Subsection (1) of this section shall be subject to the following limitations:

(a) Such nonresident shall be duly licensed under the motor vehicle laws of the state of his or her residence or have complied with the laws of the state of his or her residence relating to the registration or licensing of motor vehicles and conformed to the laws of such state of residence in relation to the operators of motor vehicles;

Nevada: Nationaler Führerschein

Nevada Revised Statutes, Title 43, Chapter 483

483.240 Exemptions from licensing.

The following persons are exempt from license under the provisions of NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive:

...

3. A nonresident who is at least 16 years of age and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid license issued to the person in his or her home state or country may drive a motor vehicle in this State of the type or class the person may operate in that home state or country.

New Hampshire: Nationaler Führerschein für einen Zeitraum von 60 Tagen.

Lt. Telefonischer Auskunft gilt unten stehende Regelung auch für Touristen

New Hampshire Statutes, Table of Contents, CHAPTER 263

263.35 Nonresident Who Establishes a Residency in the State. –

Notwithstanding the provisions of RSA 261:44 or any other law to the contrary, any nonresident driver of a motor vehicle who holds a valid driver's license in another jurisdiction, upon the establishment of a bona fide residency in this state, shall have a maximum of 60 days from the date his residency was established to obtain a driver's license issued by the state of New Hampshire.

Source. RSA 261:1-a. 1979, 135:2. 1981, 146:1, eff. Jan. 1, 1982.

New Mexico: Nationaler Führerschein

2011 New Mexico Statutes, Chapter 66, Article 5, Part 1

66-5-4. Persons exempt from licensure.

The following persons are exempt from licensure under the Motor Vehicle Code [66-1-1 NMSA 1978]:

...

B. a person who is at least fifteen years of age and who has in immediate possession a valid driver's license issued to the person in the person's home state or country may drive a motor vehicle in this state, except that the person shall obtain a license upon becoming a resident and before the person is employed for compensation by another for the purpose of driving a motor vehicle;

New York:

Keine ausdrücklichen Angaben, welcher Führerschein mitgeführt werden muss.

Consolidated Laws of New York, Vehicle & Traffic, Title 2, Article 3

§ 250. Exemption of non-resident owners and operators.

2. A person of the age of sixteen years and upwards who shall be a nonresident of this state, and a resident of a state, territory, federal district or foreign country having laws, with which such person has complied, which require such person, in order to operate a motor vehicle or motorcycle therein, to be licensed, may operate or drive a motorvehicle or motorcycle on the public highways of this state without being so licensed under this chapter, provided, however, that the recognition granted under this subdivision shall, with respect to a person under the age of eighteen years, only permit the operation of a motor vehicle or motorcycle in this state in accordance with the same restrictions imposed upon New York residents operating or driving motor vehicles or motorcycles with class DJ or MJ licenses under subdivision three of section five hundred one of this chapter

North Carolina:

Nationaler Führerschein

North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 20, Article 2

§ 20-8. Persons exempt from license.

The following are exempt from license hereunder:

...

(3) A nonresident who is at least 16 years of age who has in his immediate possession a valid driver's license issued to him in his home state or country if the nonresident is operating a motor vehicle in this State in accordance with the license restrictions and vehicle classifications that would be applicable to him under the laws and regulations of his home state or country if he were driving in his home state or country.

North Dakota:

Nationaler Führerschein

North Dakota Century Code, Title 39, Chapter 6

39-06-02. What persons are exempt from license - Resident defined.

The following persons are exempt from license hereunder:

...

2. A nonresident who is at least sixteen years of age, who has in that person's immediate possession a valid operator's license issued to that person in that person's home state or country, may operate a motor vehicle in this state.

Ohio: Keine ausdrücklichen Angaben, welcher Führerschein mitgeführt werden muss.

Ohio Revised Code, Title 45, Chapter 4507

4507.04 Nonresident exemption.

Nonresidents, permitted to drive upon the highways of their own states, may operate any motor vehicle upon any highway in this state without examination or license under sections 4507.01 to 4507.39, inclusive, of the Revised Code, upon condition that such nonresidents may be required at any time or place to prove lawful possession, or their right to operate, such motor vehicle, and to establish proper identity.

Oklahoma: **Nationaler Führerschein**

Oklahoma Statutes, Title 47 (Motor Vehicles), §47-6-102 Persons exempt -- Reciprocity agreements with foreign countries.

A. A nonresident who is sixteen (16) years of age or older may operate a motor vehicle in this state as authorized by the class, restrictions, and endorsements specified on the license, if the nonresident is:

-1. Properly licensed in the home state or country to operate a commercial or noncommercial motor vehicle and who has immediate possession of a valid driver license issued by the home state or country.

Pennsylvania: Nationaler Führerschein

Pennsylvania Code, Title 75, Part II, Chapter 15

§ 1502. Persons exempt from licensing.

The following persons are not required to obtain a driver's license under this chapter:

...

(3) Any nonresident who is at least 16 years of age and who has in possession a valid driver's license issued in the person's home state or country except that a person who has been issued a valid driver's license in a country other than the United States or Canada shall be exempt only upon showing a satisfactory understanding of official traffic-control devices. A nonresident may only drive the class or classes of vehicles in this Commonwealth for which the person is licensed to drive in the person's home state or country subject to all restrictions contained on the license.

Rhode Island: Nationaler Führerschein

State of Rhode Island General Laws, Title 31, Chapter 10

§ 31-10-2 Persons exempt from licensing requirements. – The following persons are exempt from the licensing requirements of this chapter:

...

(2) A nonresident who is at least sixteen (16) years of age and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid operator's license issued to him or her in his or her home state or country may operate a motor vehicle in this state only as an operator;

South Carolina: Nationaler Führerschein

South Carolina Code of Laws (end of 2012), Title 56, Chapter 1 SECTION 56-1-30. Persons exempt from licensing requirements. The following persons are exempt from licenses under this article:

...

(2) A nonresident who is at least sixteen years of age and who has in his immediate possession a valid operator's or chauffeur's license issued to him in his home state or country may operate a motor vehicle, but a person may not claim nonresidence exemption under this provision who does not maintain a permanent residence address in the state or country of which he holds a valid and current operator's or chauffeur's license at which he regularly receives his mail and which address is on file with the motor vehicle authorities of that state or country; also, a person may not claim nonresidence exemption under this provision who for all other intents and purposes has or may remove his residence into this State;

South Dakota: Nationaler Führerschein

2012 South Dakota Codes, Title 32, Chapter 12

32-12-24. Nonresident out-of-state licensee exempt from licensing requirement.

A nonresident who is at least sixteen years of age and who has in that person's immediate possession a valid operator's license or motorcycle operator's license issued by that person's home state or country may operate in this state any motor vehicle for which that person is licensed in the person's home state or country.

Tennessee: Nationaler Führerschein

Tennessee Code, Title 55, Chapter 50

55-50-304. Persons exempt from licensing.

The following persons are exempt from licensing under this chapter:

...

(3) A nonresident who is at least sixteen (16) years of age and who has in immediate possession a valid driver license issued to the person in the person's home state or country may operate a motor vehicle in this state only as a Class D driver;

(4) A nonresident who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and who has in immediate possession a valid license equivalent to a Tennessee class license issued to the person in the person's home state or country may operate a motor vehicle of a comparable class in this state.

Texas: Nationaler Führerschein

**Texas Statutes Title 7, Subtitle B, Chapter 521, Subchapter A
Sec. 521.030. RECIPROCAL LICENSE.**

(a) A nonresident who is 18 years of age or older and who has in the person's possession a license issued to the person by the person's state or country of residence that is similar to a Class A or Class B driver's license issued under this chapter is not required to hold a Class A or Class B driver's license issued under this chapter if that state or country of residence recognizes such a license issued by this state and exempts the holder from securing a license issued by the state or foreign country.

(b) A nonresident who is 16 years of age or older and who has in the person's possession a driver's license issued to the person by the person's state or Canadian province of residence may operate a type of motor vehicle that is permitted to be operated with a Class C or Class M driver's license in this state if the license held by the nonresident permits operation of that type of vehicle in the person's state or province of residence.

Utah: Nationaler Führerschein

Utah Code, Title 53, Chapter 3

Section 202. Drivers must be licensed -- Taxicab endorsement -- Violation.

(1) A person may not drive a motor vehicle on a highway in this state unless the person is:

...

(e) a nonresident who is at least 18 years of age and who has in the nonresident's immediate possession a valid license certificate issued to the non-resident in the nonresident's home state or country if driving in the class or classes identified on the home state license certificate, except those persons referred to in Part 6, Drivers'License Compact, of this chapter;

Vermont: Nationaler Führerschein für einen Zeitraum von 30 Tagen

The Vermont Statutes, Title 23, Chapter 7:23 V.S.A.

§ 411. Reciprocal provisions

As determined by the commissioner of motor vehicles, a motor vehicle owned by a nonresident, shall be considered as registered and a nonresident operator shall be considered as licensed in this state, if the nonresident owner or operator has complied with the laws of the foreign country or state of his or her residence relative to the registration of motor vehicles and the granting of operators' licenses. Any exemptions provided in this section shall, however, be operative as to an owner or operator of a motor vehicle only to the extent that under the laws of the foreign country or state of his residence like exemptions and privileges are granted to operators duly licensed and to owners of motor vehicles duly registered under the laws of this state. If the owner or operator is a

resident of a country not adjoining the United States, such exemptions shall be operative for a period of 30 days for vacation purposes notwithstanding that such country does not grant like privileges to residents of this state. Such exemptions shall not be operative as to the owner of a motor truck used for the transportation of property for hire or profit between points within the state or to the owner of any motor vehicle carrying an auxiliary fuel tank or tanks providing an additional supply of motor fuel over and above that provided in the standard equipment of such vehicle. (Amended 1963, No. 163.)

Virginia:

Nationaler Führerschein

Virginia Code § 46.2-307. Nonresidents licensed under laws of home state or country; extension of reciprocal privileges.

A. A nonresident over the age of sixteen years and three months who has been duly licensed as a driver under a law requiring the licensing of drivers in his home state or country and who has in his immediate possession a driver's license issued to him in his home state or country shall be permitted, without a Virginia license, to drive a motor vehicle on the highways of the Commonwealth.

B. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the Commissioner, with the consent of the Governor, may extend to nonresidents from foreign countries the same driver's licensing privileges which are granted by the foreign country, or political subdivision wherein such nonresidents are residents, to residents of this Commonwealth residing in such foreign country or political subdivision.

C. Driver's license privileges may be extended to nonresidents from foreign countries or political subdivisions who are over the age of sixteen years and three months, have been duly licensed as drivers under a law requiring the licensing of drivers in their home country or political subdivision, and have in their immediate possession a driver's license issued to them in their home country or political subdivision.

Washington:

Nationaler Führerschein

Revised Code of Washington, Title 46

46.20.025. Exemptions.

The following persons may operate a motor vehicle on a Washington highway without a valid Washington driver's license:

...

(2) A nonresident driver who is at least:

(a) Sixteen years of age and has immediate possession of a valid driver's license issued to the driver by his or her home state; or

West Virginia: Nationaler Führerschein, aber nur 90 Tage pro Jahr.

West Virginia Code

§17B-2-2. Persons exempt from license.

The following persons are exempt from license hereunder:

...

(2) A nonresident who is at least sixteen years of age and who has in his immediate possession a valid driver's license issued to the person in the person's home state or country unless the commissioner determines the person's home state or country does not extend the same privileges to a resident of this state, may operate a motor vehicle in this state only as a noncommercial driver for a period not to exceed ninety days in any one calendar year;

Wisconsin: Nationaler Führerschein

Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter 343, Subchapter II

343.05 Operators to be licensed; exceptions.

...

(4) Exemptions.

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(b) The following are exempt from the licensing requirements of sub.

(3):

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3. Any nonresident of the United States who holds an international driving permit or a valid operator's license issued by Germany, Mexico, or Switzerland or by any other nation having a reciprocal agreement with the United States concerning driving privileges.

Wyoming: Nationaler Führerschein

Wyoming Statutes, Title 31, Chapter 7

31-7-107. Persons exempted.

(a) The following persons are exempt from the licensing requirement under this act:

...

(ii) A nonresident who has in his immediate possession a valid license issued to him by the licensing authority in his place of residence;